

Public Transportation Board Duties and Powers

Sec. 21.502. - Public Transportation Board.

- (a) General Provisions. General provisions applicable to the Public Transportation Board are set forth in subtitle 3, "boards and commissions," of title 6, "County Executive and the Executive Branch," of the Howard County Code.
- (b) Number of Members. There is a Howard County Public Transportation Board. The Howard County Public Transportation Board shall consist of seven members. Ex officio members from State, regional, and County agencies may also be designated by the County Executive, but not to exceed four in number.
- (c) Qualifications. Members of the Board shall be:
 - (1) Residents of Howard County; and
 - (2) Experienced or interested in the area of public transportation.
- (d) Executive Secretary. The Transportation Coordinator or the Coordinator's designee shall serve as Executive Secretary to the Board and shall attend all meetings.

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Sec. 21.503. - General powers and duties of Public Transportation Board.

The Howard County Public Transportation Board shall:

- (a) Identify financial and other resources to support and expand existing public transportation services and to initiate and assist in providing additional public transportation for Howard County residents;
- (b) Make recommendations to the County Executive concerning contracts with State and Federal agencies, firms, corporations, and associations to provide public transportation services to Howard County;
- (c) Encourage additional home-to-work transit services;
- (d) Assist in procuring adequate public transportation for County residents having no alternative means of transportation;
- (e) Assist in increasing transportation access to social services, educational institutions, recreational facilities and domestic supplies;
- (f) Develop and submit recommendations to County, State, and regional administrative bodies in planning comprehensive transportation services for Howard County residents;
- (g) Receive and coordinate citizen comment and complaints concerning transportation needs and to recommend actions thereon;
- (h) Evaluate present transportation services for the purpose of developing a comprehensive transit program for the County, with appropriate linkages to both the Baltimore and Washington areas; and
- (i) Furnish recommendations and provide information to the County Executive and the County Council on any matter concerning the present and future needs of public transportation in Howard County.

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